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Auditor of State Mary Mosiman today released an audit report on the City of Red Oak, Iowa.

The City's receipts totaled \$9,743,153 for the year ended June 30, 2015, a 43% increase over the prior year. The receipts included \$2,500,949 in property tax, \$130,261 from tax increment financing, \$2,682,027 from charges for service, \$790,677 from operating grants, contributions and restricted interest, \$345,841 from capital grants, contributions and restricted interest, \$624,626 from local option sales tax, \$94,820 from hotel/motel tax, \$2,327,801 from bond proceeds, \$8,067 from unrestricted interest on investments and \$238,084 from other general receipts.

Disbursements for the year ended June 30, 2015 totaled \$9,309,865, a 26% increase over the prior year, and included \$2,651,137 for public safety, \$1,755,591 for debt service and \$915,346 for public works. Also, disbursements for business type activities totaled \$2,031,738.

The significant increase in receipts was due primarily to bond financing and capital grants. The significant increase in disbursements was due primarily to debt repayments and capital projects activity during the current fiscal year.

A copy of the audit report is available for review in the City Clerk's Office, in the Office of Auditor of State and on the Auditor of State's web site at <a href="http://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/1520-0647-B00F.pdf">http://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/1520-0647-B00F.pdf</a>.

## CITY OF RED OAK

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SUPPLEMENTARY AND OTHER INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

**JUNE 30, 2015** 

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## **Officials**

| <u>Name</u>  | <u>Title</u>   | <u>Expires</u>                               |
|--|--|--|
| William H. Billings, Jr.                                       | Mayor  | Jan 2016                                     |
| Larry Barnett  | Mayor Pro Tem  | Jan 2016                                     |
| Scott Keith<br>Jeanice Lester<br>Bill Haufle<br>Roger Waggener | Council Member<br>Council Member<br>Council Member<br>Council Member | Jan 2016<br>Jan 2016<br>Jan 2018<br>Jan 2018 |
| Brad Wright  | Administrator  | Indefinite                                   |
| Mary Bolton  | City Clerk   | Indefinite                                   |
| Stephen Hays   | Treasurer  | Indefinite                                   |
| Tom Stamets  | Attorney   | Indefinite                                   |





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## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

## Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Red Oak, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1. This includes determining the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. This includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the City's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Red Oak as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in its cash basis financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

## Basis of Accounting

As discussed in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

## Emphasis of a Matter

As discussed in Note 4 to the financial statements, the City of Red Oak adopted new accounting guidance related to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, <u>Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions</u>. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Matters

## Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Red Oak's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the third paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the nine years ended June 30, 2014 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unmodified opinions on those financial statements which were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 4 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

The other information, Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Information, the Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and the Schedule of City Contributions on pages 7 through 12 and 34 through 41, has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated January 7, 2016 on our consideration of the City of Red Oak's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> in considering the City of Red Oak's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

MARY MOSIMAN, CPA

WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA Chief Deputy Auditor of State

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The City of Red Oak provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the City's financial statements, which follow.

## **2015 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Receipts of the City's governmental activities increased 59%, or approximately \$3,002,000, from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2015. The increase was primarily due to the issuance of general obligation corporate purpose and refunding bonds during fiscal year 2015.
- Disbursements for governmental activities increased 32%, or approximately \$1,778,000, from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2015. Debt service and public safety function disbursements increased approximately \$1,066,000 and \$377,000, respectively.
- The City's total cash basis net position increased 7%, or approximately \$433,000, from June 30, 2014 to June 30, 2015. Of this amount, the cash basis net position of the governmental activities increased approximately \$569,000 and the cash basis net position of the business type activities decreased approximately \$136,000.

## USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the City's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statement consists of a Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position. This statement provides information about the activities of the City as a whole and presents an overall view of the City's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statement by providing information about the most significant funds.

Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Other Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the City's budget for the year and the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability and related contributions.

Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental funds and the City's indebtedness.

## BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The City maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, readers should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

## REPORTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statement

One of the most important questions asked about the City's finances is, "Is the City as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position reports information which helps answer this question.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position presents the City's net position. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position is divided into two kinds of activities:

- Governmental Activities include public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service and capital projects. Property tax and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.
- Business Type Activities include the waterworks, the sanitary sewer system and landfill activities. These activities are financed primarily by user charges.

## Fund Financial Statements

The City has two kinds of funds:

1) Governmental funds account for most of the City's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances at year-end that are available for spending. The governmental funds include: 1) the General Fund, 2) the Special Revenue Funds, such as Road Use Tax, Employee Benefits and Local Option Sales Tax, 3) the Debt Service Fund, 4) the Capital Projects Fund and 5) the Permanent Funds. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the City's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs.

The required financial statement for governmental funds is a Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances.

2) Proprietary funds account for the City's Enterprise Funds. Enterprise Funds are used to report business type activities. The City maintains three Enterprise Funds to provide separate information for the Water, Sewer and Landfill Funds, considered to be major funds of the City.

The required financial statement for proprietary funds is a Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances.

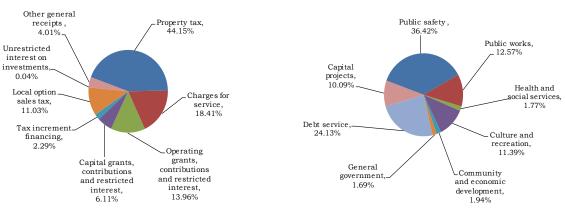
## **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The City's cash balance for governmental activities increased from a year ago, increasing from approximately \$3.406 million to approximately \$3.975 million. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in cash basis net position of governmental activities.

|   |    | Year ended Ju                         |       |
|---|----|---------------------------------------|-------|
|   |    | 2015                                  | 2014  |
| Receipts:   |    |                                       |       |
| Program receipts:   |    |                                       |       |
| Charges for service   | \$ | 1,043                                 | 933   |
| Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest                 |    | 791                                   | 709   |
| Capital grants, contributions and restricted interest General receipts: |    | 346                                   | 235   |
| Property tax  |    | 2,501                                 | 2,393 |
| Tax increment financing   |    | 130                                   | 156   |
| Local option sales tax  |    | 625                                   | 537   |
| Hotel/motel tax   |    | 95                                    | 80    |
| Unrestricted interest on investments                                    |    | 2                                     | 5     |
| Bond proceeds   |    | 2,328                                 | -     |
| Other general receipts  |    | 227                                   | 38    |
| Total receipts  |    | 8,088                                 | 5,086 |
| Disbursements:  | ·  |                                       |       |
| Public safety   |    | 2,651                                 | 2,274 |
| Public works  |    | 915                                   | 885   |
| Health and social services  |    | 129                                   | 117   |
| Culture and recreation  |    | 829                                   | 832   |
| Community and economic development                                      |    | 141                                   | 170   |
| General government  |    | 123                                   | 115   |
| Debt service  |    | 1,756                                 | 690   |
| Capital projects  |    | 734                                   | 417   |
| Total disbursements   |    | 7,278                                 | 5,500 |
| Change in cash basis net position before transfers                      |    | 810                                   | (414) |
| Transfers, net  |    | (241)                                 |       |
| Change in cash basis net position                                       |    | 569                                   | (414) |
| Cash basis net position beginning of year                               |    | 3,406                                 | 3,820 |
|   | \$ | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 3,406 |

## Receipts by Source

## **Disbursements by Function**



The City's total receipts for governmental activities increased 59%, or approximately \$3,002,000, from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2015. The total cost of all programs and services increased approximately \$1,778,000, or 32%. The increase in receipts was primarily the result of issuing general obligation corporate purpose and refunding bonds during fiscal year 2015. The increase in disbursements was primarily due to an increase in capital projects activity and refunding of debt.

The cost of all governmental activities this year was approximately \$7.3 million compared to approximately \$5.5 million last year. However, as shown in the Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position on pages 14-15, the amount taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities was only approximately \$5.1 million because some of the cost was paid by those who directly benefited from the programs (approximately \$1,043,000) or by other governments and organizations which subsidized certain programs with grants, contributions and restricted interest (approximately \$1,137,000).

| Changes in Cash Basis Net Position of Busi         | 0.1 | e Activities                |        |
|--|-----|-----------------------------|--------|
| (Expressed in Thousands                            | •   | Voor ondod II               | ıno 20 |
|  |     | Year ended June 30, 2015 20 |        |
| Receipts:  |     |                             |        |
| Program receipts:                                  |     |                             |        |
| Charges for service:                               |     |                             |        |
| Water  | \$  | 951                         | 1,015  |
| Sewer  |     | 647                         | 641    |
| Landfill   |     | 40                          | 69     |
| General receipts:                                  |     |                             |        |
| Unrestricted interest on investments               |     | 6                           | 5      |
| Other general receipts                             |     | 11                          | 5      |
| Total receipts                                     |     | 1,655                       | 1,735  |
| Disbursements:                                     |     |                             |        |
| Water  |     | 879                         | 904    |
| Sewer  |     | 1,109                       | 953    |
| Landfill   |     | 44                          | 41     |
| Total disbursements                                |     | 2,032                       | 1,898  |
| Change in cash basis net position before transfers |     | (377)                       | (163)  |
| Transfers, net                                     |     | 241                         | -      |
| Change in cash basis net position                  |     | (136)                       | (163)  |
| Cash basis net position beginning of year          |     | 2,599                       | 2,762  |
| Cash basis net position end of year                | \$  | 2,463                       | 2,599  |

Total business type activities receipts decreased approximately \$80,000, or 5%, from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2015. Total disbursements for the fiscal year increased 7%, or approximately \$134,000. The decrease in receipts is primarily due to less water usage in the fiscal year and the increase in disbursements is primarily due to an increase in capital projects during fiscal year 2015. The cash balance decreased approximately \$136,000 from the prior year.

## INDIVIDUAL MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND ANALYSIS

As the City of Red Oak completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$3,974,718, an increase of more than \$568,000 compared to last year's total of \$3,405,910. The following are the major reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year.

- The General Fund cash balance increased \$304,510 from the prior year to \$1,323,275. The increase was primarily due to the new commercial/industrial tax replacements and an increase in ambulance fees collected.
- The Special Revenue, Road Use Tax Fund cash balance increased \$51,906, or 5%, to \$1,050,634. The City intends to use this money to upgrade the condition of all City roads.
- The Special Revenue, Employee Benefits Fund cash balance decreased \$112,121, or 20%, during the fiscal year to \$453,324.
- The Special Revenue, Local Option Sales Tax Fund was established to account for special sales tax collected. At the end of the fiscal year, the cash balance was \$899,036, an increase of \$86,067 from the prior year. The increase was due to a decrease in transfers out for debt service.
- The Debt Service Fund cash balance increased \$319,354 during the fiscal year to \$1,037,981.
- The Capital Projects Fund cash balance decreased \$98,035 during the fiscal year to a deficit of \$1,283,162. The City spent a total of \$733,876 on construction projects in the current year compared to \$416,576 in the prior year. The increase in disbursements is primarily due to project completion in the current year.

## INDIVIDUAL MAJOR BUSINESS TYPE FUND ANALYSIS

- The Enterprise, Water Fund cash balance increased \$30,926 to \$1,341,797 at June 30, 2015. Total receipts decreased \$59,967 while disbursements decreased \$24,862 during the year.
- The Enterprise, Sewer Fund cash balance decreased \$163,110 to \$693,437 at June 30, 2015. Total receipts increased \$9,190 while disbursements increased \$156,017 during the year. The increase in disbursements was primarily due an increase in costs for debt service and capital projects.
- The Enterprise, Landfill Fund cash balance decreased \$3,336 to \$427,876 at June 30, 2015.

#### **BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

The City's receipts were \$478,935 less than budgeted and other financing sources were \$786,499 more than budgeted.

Total disbursements were \$1,176,404 less than budgeted. Actual disbursements for the community and economic development function were \$54,235 more than budgeted. Disbursements were \$928,357 less than budgeted in the capital projects activities function due to a delay in the downtown renovation and airport projects.

## **DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

At June 30, 2015, the City had \$8,787,000 of bonds and other long-term debt outstanding, compared to \$8,249,000 last year. Debt increased as a result of issuing new debt during the year.

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------|-------|--|--|
| Outstanding Debt at Year-E | лu                       |         |       |  |  |
| (Expressed in Thousands    | (Expressed in Thousands) |         |       |  |  |
|                            |                          | June 30 | ١,    |  |  |
|                            |                          | 2015    | 2014  |  |  |
| General obligation bonds   | \$                       | 6,170   | 5,505 |  |  |
| Sewer revenue bonds        |                          | 2,510   | 2,600 |  |  |
| Lease-purchase agreement   |                          | 107     | 144   |  |  |
| Total                      | \$                       | 8,787   | 8,249 |  |  |

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt cities can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all property within the City's corporate limits. The City's outstanding general obligation debt of \$7,149,776 including tax increment financing rebate agreements of \$872,776, is below its constitutional debt limit of approximately \$7,196,230. Additional information about the City's debt is presented in Notes 3 and 4 to the financial statements.

## ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

The City of Red Oak's elected and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2016 budget, tax rates and fees charged for various City activities. One of those factors is the economy. Unemployment in the City as of June 30, 2015 decreased to 3.4%, versus 4.4% a year ago. This compares with the State's unemployment rate of 3.6% and the national rate of 5.3%.

These factors were taken into account when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2016. Property tax receipts available for appropriation in the fiscal year 2016 operating budget are approximately \$2.361 million, a decrease of 1.7% from the fiscal year 2015 budget. Budgeted disbursements are \$9,633,366, a decrease of 7.8% compared to the fiscal year 2015 final budget. Decreases in expected capital project equipment costs represent the largest decrease.

If these estimates are realized, the City's June 30, 2016 budgeted cash balance is expected to decrease approximately \$1,326,000 during the year.

## CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Mary Bolton, City Clerk, 601 N. 6th Street, City of Red Oak, Iowa 51566.



## Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position

## As of and for the year ended June 30, 2015

|                                    |     |            |             | Program Receip    | ts              |
|------------------------------------|-----|------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|
|                                    |     |            |             | Operating Grants, | Capital Grants, |
|                                    |     |            |             | Contributions     | Contributions   |
|                                    |     |            | Charges for | and Restricted    | and Restricted  |
|                                    | Dis | bursements | Service     | Interest          | Interest        |
| Functions/Programs:                |     |            |             |                   |                 |
| Governmental activities:           |     |            |             |                   |                 |
| Public safety                      | \$  | 2,651,137  | 640,908     | 54,383            | -               |
| Public works                       |     | 915,346    | 276,625     | 611,849           | -               |
| Health and social services         |     | 128,999    | 2,230       | -                 | -               |
| Culture and recreation             |     | 828,629    | 109,372     | 124,445           | -               |
| Community and economic development |     | 141,205    | 5,203       | -                 | -               |
| General government                 |     | 123,344    | 9,034       | -                 | -               |
| Debt service                       |     | 1,755,591  | -           | -                 | -               |
| Capital projects                   |     | 733,876    | -           | -                 | 345,841         |
| Total governmental activities      |     | 7,278,127  | 1,043,372   | 790,677           | 345,841         |
| Business type activities:          |     |            |             |                   |                 |
| Water                              |     | 879,443    | 951,024     | -                 | -               |
| Sewer                              |     | 1,108,533  | 647,205     | -                 | -               |
| Landfill                           |     | 43,762     | 40,426      | -                 | -               |
| Total business type activities     |     | 2,031,738  | 1,638,655   | -                 | -               |
| Total                              | \$  | 9,309,865  | 2,682,027   | 790,677           | 345,841         |
| General Peccints                   |     |            |             |                   |                 |

#### General Receipts:

Property and other city tax levied for:

General purposes

Debt service

Tax increment financing

Local option sales tax

Hotel/motel tax

Commercial/industrial tax replacements

Unrestricted interest on investments

Miscellaneous

Bond proceeds, net of \$94,511 premium and \$31,710 underwriters discount

Transfers

Total general receipts

Change in cash basis net position

Cash basis net position beginning of year

Cash basis net position end of year

## **Cash Basis Net Position**

Restricted:

Nonexpendable:

Permanent Funds

Expendable:

Streets

Employee benefits

Debt service

Local option sales tax

Fire department

Urban renewal purposes

Library

Landfill superfund

Other purposes

Unrestricted

#### Total cash basis net position

See notes to financial statements.

| Net (Disbursements)  | Receipts and    |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Changes in Cash Basi | is Net Position |

|    | Governmental         | Business Type |                      |
|----|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|
|    | Activities           | Activities    | Total                |
|    |                      |               |                      |
|    | (1,955,846)          | _             | (1,955,846)          |
|    | (26,872)             | _             | (26,872)             |
|    | (126,769)            | -             | (126,769)            |
|    | (594,812)            | _             | (594,812)            |
|    | (136,002)            | -             | (136,002)            |
|    | (114,310)            | -             | (114,310)            |
|    | (1,755,591)          | -             | (1,755,591)          |
|    | (388,035)            | -             | (388,035)            |
|    | (5,098,237)          | -             | (5,098,237)          |
|    | _                    | 71,581        | 71,581               |
|    | _                    | (461,328)     | (461,328)            |
|    | -                    | (3,336)       | (3,336)              |
|    | _                    | (393,083)     | (393,083)            |
|    | (5,098,237)          | (393,083)     | (5,491,320)          |
|    |                      |               |                      |
|    | 2,087,023            | _             | 2,087,023            |
|    | 413,926              | -             | 413,926              |
|    | 130,261              | -             | 130,261              |
|    | 624,626              | -             | 624,626              |
|    | 94,820               | _             | 94,820               |
|    | 49,470               | -             | 49,470               |
|    | 1,859                | 6,208         | 8,067                |
|    | 177,985              | 10,629        | 188,614              |
|    | 2,327,801            | -             | 2,327,801            |
|    | (240,726)            | 240,726       | -                    |
|    | 5,667,045            | 257,563       | 5,924,608            |
|    | 568,808              | (135,520)     | 433,288              |
|    | 3,405,910            | 2,598,630     | 6,004,540            |
| \$ | 3,974,718            | 2,463,110     | 6,437,828            |
|    |                      |               |                      |
| \$ | 262,455              | -             | 262,455              |
|    | 1,050,634            | -             | 1,050,634            |
|    | 453,324              | -             | 453,324              |
|    | 1,037,981            | 49,105        | 1,087,086            |
|    | 899,036              | -             | 899,036              |
|    | 55,094               | -             | 55,094               |
|    | 86,172               | -             | 86,172               |
|    | 275,765              | -             | 275,765              |
|    | -                    | 383,496       | 383,496              |
|    | 159,529<br>(305,272) | 2,030,509     | 159,529<br>1,725,237 |
| \$ | 3,974,718            | 2,463,110     | 6,437,828            |
| Ψ  | 5,514,116            | 4,403,110     | 0,437,020            |

## Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Governmental Funds

As of and for the year ended June 30, 2015

|  | Special Revenue   |   |              |              |
|--|-------------------|---|--------------|--------------|
|  | -                 | Road                                    |              | Local Option |
|  | General           | Use Tax                                 | Benefits     | Sales Tax    |
| Receipts:  |                   |   |              |              |
| Property tax   | \$ 1,249,672      | -                                       | 740,883      | -            |
| Tax increment financing                                    | -                 | -                                       | -            | -            |
| Other city tax   | 154,862           | -                                       | 36,426       | 624,626      |
| Licenses and permits                                       | 34,299            | -                                       | -            | -            |
| Use of money and property Intergovernmental                | 23,192<br>240,949 | 597,067                                 | 15 454       | -            |
| Charges for service  | 694,702           | 397,007                                 | 15,454       | -            |
| Miscellaneous  | 390,761           | _                                       | _            | _            |
| Total receipts   | 2,788,437         | 597,067                                 | 792,763      | 624,626      |
| Disbursements:   |                   | , , , , ,                               | ,            |              |
| Operating:   |                   |   |              |              |
| Public safety  | 1,533,698         | -                                       | 603,074      | 476,788      |
| Public works   | 290,395           | 495,161                                 | 129,790      | -            |
| Health and social services                                 | 128,999           | -                                       | -            | -            |
| Culture and recreation                                     | 653,574           | -                                       | 157,345      | 5,573        |
| Community and economic development                         | <del>-</del>      | -                                       | <del>-</del> | 19,390       |
| General government   | 108,669           | -                                       | 14,675       | -            |
| Debt service   | -                 | -                                       | -            | -            |
| Capital projects  Total disbursements                      | 2,715,335         | 495,161                                 | 904,884      | 501,751      |
|  | 2,715,555         | 493,101                                 | 904,004      | 301,731      |
| Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements | 73,102            | 101,906                                 | (112,121)    | 122,875      |
| Other financing sources (uses):                            |                   |   |              |              |
| Bond proceeds, net of \$94,511 premium and \$31,710        |                   |   |              |              |
| underwriters discount                                      | _                 | _                                       | -            | -            |
| Sale of real property                                      | 500               | _                                       | _            | _            |
| Transfers in   | 230,908           | _                                       | _            | _            |
| Transfers out  | 200,500           | (50,000)                                | _            | (36,808)     |
| Total other financing sources (uses)                       | 231,408           | (50,000)                                | -            | (36,808)     |
| Change in cash balances                                    | 304,510           | 51,906                                  | (112,121)    | 86,067       |
| Cash balances beginning of year                            | 1,018,765         | 998,728                                 | 565,445      | 812,969      |
| Cash balances end of year                                  | \$ 1,323,275      | 1,050,634                               | 453,324      | 899,036      |
| -  | Ψ 1,020,210       | 1,000,001                               | 100,021      | 033,000      |
| Cash Basis Fund Balances Nonspendable:                     |                   |   |              |              |
| Cemetery perpetual care                                    | \$ -              | _                                       | _            | _            |
| Library bequests   | -                 | _                                       | _            | _            |
| Restricted for:  |                   |   |              |              |
| Streets  | -                 | 1,050,634                               | _            | -            |
| Employee benefits  | -                 | -                                       | 453,324      | -            |
| Debt service   | -                 | -                                       | -            | -            |
| Local option sales tax                                     | -                 | -                                       | -            | 899,036      |
| Fire department  | -                 | -                                       | -            | -            |
| Urban renewal purposes                                     | -                 | -                                       | -            | -            |
| Capital projects   | - 044 624         | -                                       | -            | -            |
| Library<br>Hotel recreation and tourism                    | 244,634<br>31,434 | -                                       | <u>-</u>     | -            |
| Hotel community events                                     | 61,607            | _                                       | _            | _            |
| Other purposes   | 7,710             | _                                       | _            | _            |
| Assigned for:  | 7,710             |   |              |              |
| <del>-</del>   | 0.300             |   |              |              |
| Historic preservation Unassigned                           | 2,302<br>975,588  | -                                       | -            | -            |
| Total cash basis fund balances                             | \$ 1,323,275      | 1,050,634                               | 453,324      | 899,036      |
| See notes to financial statements.                         | -,020,210         | _,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | ,            | 223,000      |
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| . Debt      | Capital     |                                       |                      |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Service     | Projects    | Nonmajor                              | Total                |
| 395,252     | _           | _                                     | 2,385,807            |
| 393,232     | _           | 130,261                               | 130,261              |
| 19 674      | -           | 130,201                               |                      |
| 18,674      | -           | -                                     | 834,588              |
| -           | -           | 317                                   | 34,299<br>23,509     |
| 9.044       | 226 205     | 317                                   |                      |
| 8,044       | 236,305     | -                                     | 1,097,819<br>694,702 |
| -           | 100 526     | 58,078                                | 558,375              |
| 421,970     | 109,536     | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 5,759,360            |
| 421,970     | 345,841     | 188,656                               | 3,739,300            |
|             |             |                                       |                      |
| -           | -           | 37,577                                | 2,651,137            |
| -           | -           | -                                     | 915,346              |
| -           | -           | -                                     | 128,999              |
| -           | -           | 12,137                                | 828,629              |
| -           | -           | 121,815                               | 141,205              |
| -           | -           | =                                     | 123,344              |
| 1,755,591   | -           | =                                     | 1,755,591            |
|             | 733,876     | -                                     | 733,876              |
| 1,755,591   | 733,876     | 171,529                               | 7,278,127            |
| (1,333,621) | (388,035)   | 17,127                                | (1,518,767)          |
|             |             |                                       |                      |
| 2,327,801   | _           | _                                     | 2,327,801            |
| _,,         |             |                                       | 500                  |
|             | 300,000     | 2,233                                 | 533,141              |
| (674 906)   | •           | •                                     | •                    |
| (674,826)   | (10,000)    | (2,233)                               | (773,867)            |
| 1,652,975   | 290,000     | -                                     | 2,087,575            |
| 319,354     | (98,035)    | 17,127                                | 568,808              |
| 718,627     | (1,185,127) | 476,503                               | 3,405,910            |
| 1,037,981   | (1,283,162) | 493,630                               | 3,974,718            |
|             |             |                                       |                      |
| =           | -           | 221,455                               | 221,455              |
| -           | -           | 41,000                                | 41,000               |
| _           | _           | _                                     | 1,050,634            |
| =           | =           | =                                     | 453,324              |
| =           | -           | =                                     | = - /                |
| -           | -           | -                                     | 899,036              |
| -           | -           | 55,094                                | 55,094               |
| -           | -           | 86,172                                | 86,172               |
| 1,037,981   | -           | ,                                     | 1,037,981            |
| -           | =           | 31,131                                | 275,765              |
| -           | -           | , -<br>-                              | 31,434               |
| =           | -           | =                                     | 61,607               |
| -           | -           | 58,778                                | 66,488               |
| _           | _           | -                                     | 2,302                |
| _           | (1,283,162) | _                                     | (307,574)            |
| 1 027 001   |             | 402.620                               |                      |
| 1,037,981   | (1,283,162) | 493,630                               | 3,974,718            |

## Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Proprietary Funds

As of and for the year ended June 30, 2015

|  |                 | Enterp    | rise     | _         |
|--|-----------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
|  | Water           | Sewer     | Landfill | Total     |
| Operating receipts:                            |                 |           |          |           |
| Charges for service                            | \$<br>937,964   | 647,205   | 40,426   | 1,625,595 |
| Miscellaneous                                  | 13,060          | -         | -        | 13,060    |
| Total operating receipts                       | <br>951,024     | 647,205   | 40,426   | 1,638,655 |
| Operating disbursements:                       |                 |           |          |           |
| Business type activities                       | <br>838,949     | 592,130   | 43,762   | 1,474,841 |
| Excess (deficiency) of operating receipts over |                 |           |          |           |
| (under) operating disbursements                | <br>112,075     | 55,075    | (3,336)  | 163,814   |
| Non-operating receipts (disbursements):        |                 |           |          |           |
| Interest on investments                        | 4,161           | 2,047     | -        | 6,208     |
| Miscellaneous                                  | 5,184           | 5,445     | -        | 10,629    |
| Capital projects                               | (40,494)        | (341,903) | -        | (382,397) |
| Debt service                                   | -               | (174,500) | -        | (174,500) |
| Net non-operating                              |                 |           |          |           |
| receipts (disbursements)                       | <br>(31,149)    | (508,911) | -        | (540,060) |
| Excess (deficiency) of receipts over           |                 |           |          |           |
| (under) disbursements                          | <br>80,926      | (453,836) | (3,336)  | (376,246) |
| Other finer sing services (vass)               |                 |           |          |           |
| Other financing sources (uses): Transfers in   |                 | 290,726   |          | 290,726   |
| Transfers out                                  | (50,000)        | 290,720   | _        | (50,000)  |
| Total other financing sources (uses)           | <br>(50,000)    | 290,726   |          | 240,726   |
| rotar other infancing sources (uses)           | <br>(50,000)    | 250,720   |          | 210,720   |
| Change in cash balances                        | 30,926          | (163,110) | (3,336)  | (135,520) |
| Cash balances beginning of year                | <br>1,310,871   | 856,547   | 431,212  | 2,598,630 |
| Cash balances end of year                      | \$<br>1,341,797 | 693,437   | 427,876  | 2,463,110 |
| Cash Basis Fund Balances                       |                 |           |          |           |
| Restricted for:                                |                 |           |          |           |
| Debt service                                   | \$<br>-         | 49,105    | -        | 49,105    |
| Landfill superfund                             | -               | -         | 383,496  | 383,496   |
| Unrestricted                                   | <br>1,341,797   | 644,332   | 44,380   | 2,030,509 |
| Total cash basis fund balances                 | \$<br>1,341,797 | 693,437   | 427,876  | 2,463,110 |
| See notes to financial statements.             | <br>            |           |          |           |
|  |                 |           |          |           |

#### Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2015

## (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The City of Red Oak is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa located in Montgomery County. It was first incorporated in 1901 and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The City operates under the Mayor-Council form of government with the Mayor and Council Members elected on a non-partisan basis. The City provides numerous services to citizens, including public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development and general government services. The City also provides water and sewer utilities for its citizens.

## A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the City of Red Oak has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the City.

These financial statements present the City of Red Oak (the primary government) and its blended component unit. The component unit discussed below is included in the City's reporting entity because of the significance of its operational or financial relationship with the City.

## Blended Component Unit

The following component unit is legally separate from the City, but is so intertwined with the City it is, in substance, the same as the City. It is reported as part of the City and blended into the appropriate fund.

The Red Oak Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, Inc. (Association) has been incorporated under the provisions of the Iowa Nonprofit Corporation Act for the purpose of supporting the Red Oak Fire Department. In accordance with criteria set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, the Association meets the definition of a component unit which should be blended. The financial activity of the component unit has been blended as a Special Revenue Fund of the City.

## Jointly Governed Organizations

The City participates in several jointly governed organizations for which the City is not financially accountable or the nature and significance of the relationship with the City are such that exclusion does not cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. City officials are members of the following boards and commissions: Montgomery County Assessor's Conference Board, Montgomery County Emergency Management Commission, Montgomery County Joint E911 Service Board and the Southwest Iowa Planning Council (SWIPCO) Regional Planning Commission.

The City also participates in the Montgomery County Landfill Association, a jointly governed organization established pursuant to Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa.

#### Related Organization

The City is responsible for appointing a majority of the voting members of the Low Rent Housing Board, but the City's accountability for this organization does not extend beyond making the appointments.

## B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statement – The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position reports information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the City. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from this statement. Governmental activities, which are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for service.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position presents the City's nonfiduciary net position. Net position is reported in the following categories/components:

Nonexpendable restricted net position is subject to externally imposed stipulations which require them to be maintained permanently by the City, including the City's Permanent Funds.

Expendable restricted net position results when constraints placed on the use of cash balances are either externally imposed or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation did not result in any restricted net position.

Unrestricted net position consists of cash balances not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position is often subject to constraints imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax receipts from general and emergency levies and other receipts not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating disbursements, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs not paid from other funds.

## Special Revenue:

The Road Use Tax Fund is used to account for the road use tax allocation from the State of Iowa to be used for road construction and maintenance.

The Employee Benefits Fund is used to account for the property tax levy and disbursements for employee benefits, such as health insurance, pensions, etc.

The Local Option Sales Tax Fund is used to account for receipts from the tax authorized by referendum and used for public safety and property tax relief.

The Debt Service Fund is utilized to account for property tax and other receipts to be used for the payment of interest and principal on the City's general long-term debt.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all resources used in the acquisition and construction of capital facilities with the exception of those financed through Enterprise Funds.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Enterprise, Water Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's water system.

The Enterprise, Sewer Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's wastewater treatment and sanitary sewer system.

The Enterprise, Landfill Fund accounts for the operation of the City's recycling program and the maintenance of the closed landfill.

## C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The City maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the City funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general receipts. Thus, when program disbursements are paid, there are both restricted and unrestricted cash basis net position available to finance the program. It is the City's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants and then by general receipts.

When a disbursement in governmental funds can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the City's policy is generally to first apply the disbursement toward restricted fund balance and then to less-restrictive classifications – committed, assigned and then unassigned fund balances.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from nonoperating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.

## D. Governmental Cash Basis Fund Balances

In the governmental fund financial statements, cash basis fund balances are classified as follows:

<u>Nonspendable</u> – Amounts which cannot be spent because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

<u>Restricted</u> – Amounts restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of the resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors or state or federal laws or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

<u>Assigned</u> – Amounts the City intends to use for specific purposes as determined by the City Council, City Administrator or City Clerk.

<u>Unassigned</u> – All amounts not included in the preceding classifications.

## E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Other Information. During the year ended June 30, 2015, disbursements exceeded the amount budgeted in the community and economic development function.

## (2) Cash and Pooled Investments

The City's deposits in banks at June 30, 2015 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to ensure there will be no loss of public funds.

The City is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the City Council; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The City had investments in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust which are valued at an amortized cost of \$55,800 pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The investment in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust is unrated.

## (3) Long-Term Debt

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation bonds and revenue bonds are as follows:

| Year      | General Ob   | oligation |               |          |           |           |
|-----------|--------------|-----------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Ending    | Bonds        |           | Revenue Bonds |          | Total     |           |
| June 30,  | Principal    | Interest  | Principal     | Interest | Principal | Interest  |
| 2016      | \$ 535,000   | 162,729   | 90,000        | 75,300   | 625,000   | 238,029   |
| 2017      | 565,000      | 141,415   | 95,000        | 72,600   | 660,000   | 214,015   |
| 2018      | 565,000      | 132,255   | 95,000        | 69,750   | 660,000   | 202,005   |
| 2019      | 550,000      | 120,060   | 100,000       | 66,900   | 650,000   | 186,960   |
| 2020      | 550,000      | 94,703    | 105,000       | 63,900   | 655,000   | 158,603   |
| 2021-2025 | 2,760,000    | 331,743   | 570,000       | 270,750  | 3,330,000 | 602,493   |
| 2026-2030 | 645,000      | 58,550    | 675,000       | 179,250  | 1,320,000 | 237,800   |
| 2031-2035 |              | -         | 780,000       | 71,400   | 780,000   | 71,400    |
| Total     | \$ 6,170,000 | 1,041,455 | 2,510,000     | 869,850  | 8,680,000 | 1,911,305 |

On March 17, 2015, the City issued \$2,265,000 of general obligation corporate purpose refunding bonds with interest at rates ranging from 2 to 3.50% per annum to refund \$1,250,000 of general obligation bonds dated March 25, 2010 on January 30, 2015. The remainder of the proceeds will be used for capital projects.

The refunding was undertaken to reduce total debt service payments over the next seven years by \$20,162 and resulted in an economic gain (difference between the present value of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$32,045.

## Sewer Revenue Bonds

On October 29, 2010, the City entered into a State Revolving Fund loan and disbursement agreement with the Iowa Finance Authority, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and Wells Fargo Bank Iowa, N.A. (Trustee) for the issuance of \$2,850,000 of sewer revenue bonds with interest at 3.0% per annum. The agreement also requires the City to annually pay a .25% servicing fee on the outstanding principal balance. The bonds were issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapters 384.24A and 384.83 of the Code of Iowa to pay the cost of constructing improvements and extensions to the City's sewer system. The bonds are payable solely from sewer customer net receipts and are payable through 2035. During the current year, annual principal and interest payments on the bonds required 305% of net receipts. Principal and interest paid and total customer net receipts were \$168,000 and \$55,075, respectively.

The resolution providing for the issuance of the sewer revenue bonds includes the following provisions:

- (1) The bonds will only be redeemed from the future earnings of the enterprise activities and the bond holders hold a lien on the future earnings of the fund.
- (2) Sufficient monthly transfers shall be made to a separate sewer revenue bond sinking account for the purpose of making the bond principal and interest payments when due.
- (3) User rates shall be established at a level which produce and maintain net receipts at a level not less than 110% of the amount of principal and interest on the bonds falling due in the same year.

During fiscal year 2015, user rates were not established at a level to produce net receipts equal to at least 110% of the principal of and interest on the bonds as they came due. Also, the City is not being charged for service as required.

## Lease-Purchase Agreements

On May 15, 2012, the City entered into a lease-purchase agreement for a plow truck with a cost of \$117,907. The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments, including interest at 3.912% per annum, and the present value of net minimum lease payments under the agreement in effect at June 30, 2015:

| Year Ending                       |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| June 30,                          | Amount       |
| 2016                              | \$<br>25,594 |
| 2017                              | 25,594       |
| Total minimum lease payments      | 51,188       |
| Less amount representing interest | <br>(2,855)  |
| Present value of net minimum      |              |
| lease payments                    | \$<br>48,333 |
|                                   |              |

During the year ended June 30, 2015, the City paid \$25,594 on the lease agreement.

On July 2, 2012, the City entered into a lease-purchase agreement for a wheel loader with a cost of \$114,410. The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments, including interest at 3.30% per annum, and the present value of net minimum lease payments under the agreement in effect at June 30, 2015:

| Amount    |
|-----------|
| Amount    |
|           |
| \$ 16,004 |
| 16,004    |
| 16,004    |
| 16,004    |
| 64,016    |
| (5,023)   |
|           |
| \$ 58,993 |
|           |

During the year ended June 30, 2015, the City paid \$16,004 on the lease agreement.

## (4) Rebate Agreements

The City has entered into various rebate agreements to assist in certain urban renewal projects. The agreements require the City to rebate portions of the incremental property tax paid by the developer in exchange for the construction of buildings and certain infrastructure improvements by the developers. Certain agreements also require the developer to certify specific employment requirements are met.

The total to be paid by the City under the agreements is not to exceed \$1,706,412. The total amount rebated during the year ended June 30, 2015 was \$111,239. The City has rebated a total of \$652,957 of incremental property tax under the agreements. The outstanding balance of the agreements at June 30, 2015 was \$1,053,455.

The City has entered into another rebate agreement to assist in an urban renewal project. The agreement requires the City to rebate portions of the local option sales tax revenue collected within the sub district of the property. The total to be paid by the City under the agreement is not to exceed \$100,000. The total rebated during the year ended June 30, 2015 was \$9,390. The outstanding balance of the agreement at June 30, 2015 was \$85,801.

These agreements are not general obligations of the City. However, the agreements are subject to the constitutional debt limitation of the City, except for \$60,752 which has not been appropriated by the City Council at June 30, 2015.

## (5) Pension Plan

<u>Plan Description</u> - IPERS membership is mandatory for employees of the City, except for those covered by another retirement system. Employees of the City are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS). IPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which is available to the public by mail at 7401 Register Drive, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at www.ipers.org.

IPERS benefits are established under Iowa Code Chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. Chapter 97B and the administrative rules are the official plan documents. The following brief description is provided for general informational purposes only. Refer to the plan documents for more information.

Pension Benefits – A Regular member may retire at normal retirement age and receive monthly benefits without an early-retirement reduction. Normal retirement age is age 65, any time after reaching age 62 with 20 or more years of covered employment or when the member's years of service plus the member's age at the last birthday equals or exceeds 88, whichever comes first. (These qualifications must be met on the member's first month of entitlement to benefits.) Members cannot begin receiving retirement benefits before age 55. The formula used to calculate a Regular member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- A multiplier (based on years of service).
- The member's highest five-year average salary. (For members with service before June 30, 2012, the highest three-year average salary as of that date will be used if it is greater than the highest five-year average salary.)

If a member retires before normal retirement age, the member's monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. The early-retirement reduction is calculated differently for service earned before and after July 1, 2012. For service earned before July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.25% for each month the member receives benefits before the member's earliest normal retirement age. For service earned on or after July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.50% for each month the member receives benefits before age 65.

Generally, once a member selects a benefit option, a monthly benefit is calculated and remains the same for the rest of the member's lifetime. However, to combat the effects of inflation, retirees who began receiving benefits prior to July 1990 receive a guaranteed dividend with their regular November benefit payments.

<u>Disability and Death Benefits</u> - A vested member who is awarded federal Social Security disability or Railroad Retirement disability benefits is eligible to claim IPERS benefits regardless of age. Disability benefits are not reduced for early retirement. If a member dies before retirement, the member's beneficiary will receive a lifetime annuity or a lump-sum payment equal to the present actuarial value of the member's accrued benefit or calculated with a set formula, whichever is greater. When a member dies after retirement, death benefits depend on the benefit option the member selected at retirement.

<u>Contributions</u> - Effective July 1, 2012, as a result of a 2010 law change, the contribution rates are established by IPERS following the annual actuarial valuation, which applies IPERS' Contribution Rate Funding Policy and Actuarial Amortization Method. State statute limits the amount contribution rates can increase or decrease each year to 1%. IPERS Contribution Rate Funding Policy requires the actuarial contribution rate be determined using the "entry age normal" actuarial cost method and the actuarial assumptions and methods approved by the IPERS Investment Board.

The actuarial contribution rate covers normal cost plus the unfunded actuarial liability payment based on a 30-year amortization period. The payment to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability is determined as a level percentage of payroll, based on the Actuarial Amortization Method adopted by the Investment Board.

In fiscal year 2015, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 5.95% of pay and the City contributed 8.93% for a total rate of 14.88%. Protection occupation members contributed 6.76% of pay and the City contributed 10.14% for a total rate of 16.90%.

The City's contributions to IPERS for the year ended June 30, 2015 were \$208,562.

Collective Net Pension Liability, Collective Pension Expense, Collective Deferred Outflows of Resources and Collective Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – At June 30, 2015, the City's liability for its proportionate share of the collective net pension liability totaled \$411,276. The collective net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014 and the total pension liability used to calculate the collective net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City's proportion of the collective net pension liability was based on the City's share of contributions to IPERS relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2014, the City's proportion was 0.010370%, which was a decrease of 0.008183% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2013.

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the City's collective pension expense, collective deferred outflows of resources and collective deferred inflows of resources totaled \$73,169, \$36,629 and \$527,807, respectively.

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u> - The total pension liability in the June 30, 2014 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation 3.00% per annum.

(effective June 30, 2014)

Rates of salary increase 4.00 to 17.00% average, including inflation.

(effective June 30, 2010) Rates vary by membership group.

Long-term investment rate of return 7.50% compounded annually, net of investment

(effective June 30, 1996) expense, including inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2014 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies with dates corresponding to those listed above.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Mortality Table for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Scale AA.

The long-term expected rate of return on IPERS investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

|                        |                  | Long-Term Expected  |  |  |
|------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| Asset Class            | Asset Allocation | Real Rate of Return |  |  |
|                        |                  |                     |  |  |
| US Equity              | 23%              | 6.31%               |  |  |
| Non US Equity          | 15               | 6.76                |  |  |
| Private Equity         | 13               | 11.34               |  |  |
| Real Estate            | 8                | 3.52                |  |  |
| Core Plus Fixed Income | 28               | 2.06                |  |  |
| Credit Opportunities   | 5                | 3.67                |  |  |
| TIPS                   | 5                | 1.92                |  |  |
| Other Real Assets      | 2                | 6.27                |  |  |
| Cash                   | 1                | (0.69)              |  |  |
| Total                  | 100%             |                     |  |  |
|                        |                  |                     |  |  |

<u>Discount Rate</u> - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and that contributions from the City will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, IPERS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50%, as well as what the City's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1% lower (6.50%) or 1% higher (8.50%) than the current rate.

|                                   | 1%           | Discount   | 1%           |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
|                                   | Decrease     | Rate       | Increase     |
|                                   | (6.50%)      | (7.50%)    | (8.50%)      |
| City's proportionate share of     |              |            |              |
| the net pension liability (asset) | \$ 1,526,836 | \$ 411,276 | \$ (529,606) |

<u>IPERS Fiduciary Net Position</u> - Detailed information about IPERS' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS' website at www.ipers.org.

## (6) Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

<u>Plan Description</u> – The City operates a single-employer health benefit plan which provides medical/prescription drug and dental benefits for employees, retirees and their spouses. There are 48 active and no retired members in the plan. Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement.

The medical/prescription drug and dental benefits are provided through fully-insured plans with Wellmark and Delta Dental. Retirees under age 65 would pay the same premium for the medical/prescription drug and dental benefits as active employees.

<u>Funding Policy</u> – The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the City. The City currently finances the benefit plan on a pay-as-you-go basis. The most recent active member monthly premiums for the City and plan members are \$608 for single coverage and \$1,882 for family coverage. For the year ended June 30, 2015, the City contributed \$654,005 and plan members eligible for benefits contributed \$40,186 to the plan.

## (7) Compensated Absences

City employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation, compensatory time and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement or death. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the City until used or paid. The City's approximate liability for earned vacation, compensatory time and sick leave payable to employees at June 30, 2015, primarily relating to the General Fund, is as follows:

| Type of Benefit   | Amount     |
|-------------------|------------|
| Vacation          | \$ 131,000 |
| Compensatory time | 28,000     |
| Sick leave        | 119,000    |
| Total             | \$ 278,000 |

This liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2015.

#### (8) Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2015 is as follows:

| Transfer to         | Transfer from           | Amount     |
|---------------------|-------------------------|------------|
| General             | Special Revenue:        |            |
|                     | Local Option Sales Tax  | \$ 36,808  |
|                     | Debt Service            | 184,100    |
|                     | Capital Projects        | 10,000     |
| Special Revenue:    |                         | 230,908    |
| Low-Moderate Income | Special Revenue:        | ·          |
|                     | Tax Increment Financing | 2,155      |
| Capital Projects    | Debt Service            | 300,000    |
| Enterprise:         |                         |            |
| Sewer               | Special Revenue:        |            |
|                     | Road Use Tax            | 50,000     |
|                     | Debt Service            | 190,726    |
|                     | Enterprise:             |            |
|                     | Water                   | 50,000     |
|                     |                         | 290,726    |
| Total               |                         | \$ 823,789 |

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to disburse the resources.

## (9) Risk Management

The City is a member of the Iowa Communities Assurance Pool, as allowed by Chapter 670.7 of the Code of Iowa. The Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (Pool) is a local government risk-sharing pool whose 727 members include various governmental entities throughout the State of Iowa. The Pool was formed in August 1986 for the purpose of managing and funding third-party liability claims against its members. The Pool provides coverage and protection in the following categories: general liability, automobile liability, automobile physical damage, public officials liability, police professional liability, property, inland marine and boiler/machinery. There have been no reductions in insurance coverage from prior years.

Each member's annual casualty contributions to the Pool fund current operations and provide capital. Annual casualty operating contributions are those amounts necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses, claims, claims expenses and reinsurance expenses estimated for the fiscal year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Capital contributions are made during the first six years of membership and are maintained at a level determined by the Board not to exceed 300% of basis rate.

The Pool also provides property coverage. Members who elect such coverage make annual property operating contributions which are necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses, reinsurance premiums, losses and loss expenses for property risks estimated for the fiscal year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Any year-end operating surplus is transferred to capital. Deficiencies in operations are offset by transfers from capital and, if insufficient, by the subsequent year's member contributions.

The City's property and casualty contributions to the risk pool are recorded as disbursements from its operating funds at the time of payment to the risk pool. The City's contributions to the Pool for the year ended June 30, 2015 were \$140,995.

The Pool uses reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements to reduce its exposure to large losses. The Pool retains general, automobile, police professional, and public officials' liability risks up to \$350,000 per claim. Claims exceeding \$350,000 are reinsured through reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements up to the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the City's risk-sharing certificate. Property and automobile physical damage risks are retained by the Pool up to \$250,000 each occurrence, each location. Property risks exceeding \$250,000 are reinsured through reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements up to the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the City's risk-sharing certificate.

The Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members provides that in the event a casualty claim, property loss or series of claims or losses exceeds the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the City's risk-sharing certificate, or in the event a casualty claim, property loss or series of claims or losses exhausts the Pool's funds and any excess risk-sharing recoveries, then payment of such claims or losses shall be the obligation of the respective individual member against whom the claim was made or the loss was incurred.

The City does not disclose a liability for losses in excess of reinsurance or excess risk-sharing recoveries unless it is deemed probable such losses have occurred and the amount of such loss can be reasonably estimated. Accordingly, at June 30, 2015, no liability has been disclosed in the City's financial statements. As of June 30, 2015, settled claims have not exceeded the risk pool or reinsurance coverage since the Pool's inception.

Members agree to continue membership in the Pool for a period of not less than one full year. After such period, a member who has given 60 days prior written notice may withdraw from the Pool. Upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claims expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim was incurred or reported prior to the member's withdrawal. Upon withdrawal, a formula set forth in the Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members is applied to determine the amount (if any) to be refunded to the withdrawing member.

The City also carries commercial insurance purchased from other insurers for coverage associated with the airport liability, employee blanket bond and workers compensation in the amount of \$2,000,000, \$100,000 and \$1,000,000 respectively. The City assumes liability for any deductibles, and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

## (10) Interfund Loan

The detail of the interfund loan at June 30, 2015 is as follows:

| Due From                | Due To  | Amount    |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Special Revenue:        |         |           |
| Tax Increment Financing | General | \$ 65,000 |

In a prior year, an advance was made from the General Fund to the Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing Fund to provide an economic development grant for an urban renewal project. The loan will be repaid through transfers from the Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing Fund as receipts of the fund become available.

#### (11) Library Bequests

The Library has received various restricted bequests. At June 30, 2015, the Permanent, Library Bequest Fund included a total of \$41,000 of memorials, as follows:

| Name of Memorial  | Amount    | Purpose   |
|-------------------|-----------|---|
| Julia Lane        | \$ 10,000 | Interest to be used for the purchase of reference books.  |
| Darwin Merritt    | 1,000     | Interest to be used for the purchase of books and furniture.  |
| Mary Windle       | 1,000     | Interest to be used for the purchase of "standard authors" to be placed in a separate "Mary Windle Collection." |
| Herbert C. Lane   | 1,000     | Interest to be used for the purchase of reference books for the "Lane Memorial Collection."                     |
| Virginia A. Petty | 25,000    | Interest to be used to purchase library materials.  |
| Hazel Lusk        | 3,000     | Interest to be used at Board's discretion.  |
| Total             | \$ 41,000 |   |

## (12) Komarek Trust

The City received \$600 from the trustee of the Komarek Trust during the year ended June 30, 2015 to be used for maintenance of cemetery chapel grounds and roadways and for placement of flowers on certain graves. During the year, the City spent \$18 of these funds for flowers and \$12,064 for cemetery maintenance. At June 30, 2015, the balance in the Special Revenue, Komarek Trust Fund totaled \$1,895.

## (13) Contingent Liability

The City entered into a joint agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with respect to contamination at the former site of the Red Oak Landfill. Under the terms of the settlement agreement, the City and Magna International are jointly responsible for the operation and maintenance of the remedy for a period of 30 years. The City and Magna International are required to establish and maintain financial security in the amount of \$735,100, for which both the City and Magna International are jointly responsible only if they fail to carry out the program in making the necessary reports to the EPA. At June 30, 2015, all monitoring and maintenance activities were completed.

## (14) Commitments

The City has entered into contracts for a trail project, downtown renovation, airport projects and road projects totaling \$1,148,731, of which \$519,408 has been paid at June 30, 2015. The balance of \$629,323 will be paid as work on the projects progresses.

## (15) Deficit Balance

At June 30, 2015, the Capital Projects Fund had a deficit balance of \$1,283,162. The deficit balance in the Capital Projects Fund will be eliminated through future transfers from other funds, grant reimbursements and long-term debt proceeds.



**Other Information** 

## Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Balances -Budget and Actual (Cash Basis) – All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Funds

## Other Information

## Year ended June 30, 2015

|  | Go | vernmental  | Proprietary | Less<br>Funds not |
|--|----|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
|  |    | Funds       | Funds       | Required to       |
|  |    | Actual      | Actual      | be Budgeted       |
| Receipts:  |    |             |             |                   |
| Property tax   | \$ | 2,385,807   | -           | -                 |
| Tax increment financing  |    | 146,275     | -           | -                 |
| Other city tax   |    | 815,914     | -           | -                 |
| Licenses and permits   |    | 34,299      | -           | -                 |
| Use of money and property  |    | 23,509      | 6,208       | 185               |
| Intergovernmental  |    | 1,097,819   | -           | -                 |
| Charges for service  |    | 694,702     | 1,638,655   | -                 |
| Miscellaneous  |    | 561,035     | 10,629      | 54,198            |
| Total receipts   |    | 5,759,360   | 1,655,492   | 54,383            |
| Disbursements:   |    |             |             |                   |
| Public safety  |    | 2,651,137   | -           | 37,577            |
| Public works   |    | 915,346     | -           | -                 |
| Health and social services   |    | 128,999     | -           | -                 |
| Culture and recreation   |    | 828,629     | -           | -                 |
| Community and economic development                                       |    | 141,205     | -           | -                 |
| General government   |    | 123,344     | -           | -                 |
| Debt service   |    | 1,755,591   | -           | -                 |
| Capital projects   |    | 733,876     | -           | -                 |
| Business type activities   |    | -           | 2,031,738   | -                 |
| Total disbursements  |    | 7,278,127   | 2,031,738   | 37,577            |
| Excess (deficiency) of receipts  |    |             |             |                   |
| over (under) disbursements   |    | (1,518,767) | (376,246)   | 16,806            |
| Other financing sources, net   |    | 2,087,575   | 240,726     |                   |
| Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other financing sources over (under) |    |             |             |                   |
| disbursements and other financing uses                                   |    | 568,808     | (135,520)   | 16,806            |
| Balances beginning of year   |    | 3,405,910   | 2,598,630   | 38,288            |
| Balances end of year   | \$ | 3,974,718   | 2,463,110   | 55,094            |
|  |    |             |             |                   |

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

|             | Budgeted A  | mounts      | Final to<br>Total |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Total       | Original    | Final       | Variance          |
|             |             |             |                   |
| 2,385,807   | 2,402,433   | 2,402,433   | (16,626)          |
| 146,275     | 153,847     | 153,847     | (7,572)           |
| 815,914     | 735,727     | 735,727     | 80,187            |
| 34,299      | 46,450      | 46,450      | (12,151)          |
| 29,532      | 22,030      | 22,030      | 7,502             |
| 1,097,819   | 1,524,372   | 1,524,372   | (426,553)         |
| 2,333,357   | 2,376,830   | 2,405,930   | (72,573)          |
| 517,466     | 507,550     | 548,615     | (31,149)          |
| 7,360,469   | 7,769,239   | 7,839,404   | (478,935)         |
|             |             |             |                   |
| 2,613,560   | 2,303,436   | 2,623,961   | 10,401            |
| 915,346     | 1,059,086   | 1,059,086   | 143,740           |
| 128,999     | 23,000      | 130,000     | 1,001             |
| 828,629     | 912,787     | 912,787     | 84,158            |
| 141,205     | 86,970      | 86,970      | (54,235)          |
| 123,344     | 130,097     | 130,097     | 6,753             |
| 1,755,591   | 685,800     | 1,769,630   | 14,039            |
| 733,876     | 1,662,233   | 1,662,233   | 928,357           |
| 2,031,738   | 1,933,928   | 2,073,928   | 42,190            |
| 9,272,288   | 8,797,337   | 10,448,692  | 1,176,404         |
|             |             |             |                   |
| (1,911,819) | (1,028,098) | (2,609,288) | 697,469           |
| 2,328,301   | 1,000       | 1,541,802   | 786,499           |
|             |             |             |                   |
| 416,482     | (1,027,098) | (1,067,486) | 1,483,968         |
| 5,966,252   | 5,715,359   | 5,715,359   | 250,893           |
| 6,382,734   | 4,688,261   | 4,647,873   | 1,734,861         |

#### Notes to Other Information - Budgetary Reporting

June 30, 2015

The budgetary comparison is presented in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except the blended component unit. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon nine major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund. These nine functions are: public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects and business type activities. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund, the Capital Projects Fund, the Permanent Funds and the Enterprise Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. During the year, two budget amendments increased budgeted disbursements by \$1,651,355. The budget amendments are reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

During the year ended June 30, 2015, disbursements exceeded the amount budgeted in the community and economic development function.

# Schedule of the City's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

# Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System Last Fiscal Year\* (In Thousands)

# Other Information

|   | <br>2015    |
|---|-------------|
| City's proportion of the net pension liability  | 0.01037%    |
| City's proportionate share of the net pension liability   | \$<br>411   |
| City's covered-employee payroll   | \$<br>2,136 |
| City's proportionate share of the net<br>pension liability as a percentage<br>of its covered-employee payroll | 19.24%      |
| Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension  |             |
| liability   | 87.61%      |

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30.

# Schedule of City Contributions

# Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System Last 10 Fiscal Years (In Thousands)

# Other Information

|  | <br>2015    | 2014  | 2013  | 2012  |
|--|-------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Statutorily required contribution                                  | \$<br>209   | 204   | 194   | 176   |
| Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution | <br>(209)   | (204) | (194) | (176) |
| Contribution deficiency (excess)                                   | \$<br>-     | -     | -     |       |
| City's covered-employee payroll                                    | \$<br>2,177 | 2,136 | 2,102 | 2,018 |
| Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll          | 9.60%       | 9.55% | 9.23% | 8.72% |

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

GASB Statement No. 68 requires ten years of information be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the City will present information for those years for which information is available.

| 2011  | 2010  | 2009  |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 155   | 140   | 134   |
| (155) | (140) | (134) |
| 1,898 | 1,825 | 1,905 |
| 8.17% | 7.67% | 7.03% |

### Notes to Other Information – Pension Liability

#### Year ended June 30, 2015

#### *Changes of benefit terms*:

Legislation passed in 2010 modified benefit terms for current Regular members. The definition of final average salary changed from the highest three to the highest five years of covered wages. The vesting requirement changed from four years of service to seven years. The early retirement reduction increased from 3% per year measured from the member's first unreduced retirement age to a 6% reduction for each year of retirement before age 65.

In 2008, legislative action transferred four groups – emergency medical service providers, county jailers, county attorney investigators, and National Guard installation security officers – from Regular membership to the protection occupation group for future service only.

Benefit provisions for sheriffs and deputies were changed in the 2004 legislative session. The eligibility for unreduced retirement benefits was lowered from age 55 by one year each July 1 (beginning in 2004) until it reached age 50 on July 1, 2008. The years of service requirement remained at 22 or more. Their contribution rates were also changed to be shared 50-50 by the employee and employer, instead of the previous 40-60 split.

#### Changes of assumptions:

The 2014 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.2% to 3.00%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 4.00% to 3.75% per year.
- Adjusted male mortality rates for retirees in the Regular membership group.
- Reduced retirement rates for sheriffs and deputies between the ages of 55 and 64.
- Moved from an open 30 year amortization period to a closed 30 year amortization period for the UAL beginning June 30, 2014. Each year thereafter, changes in the UAL from plan experience will be amortized on a separate closed 20 year period.

The 2010 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Adjusted retiree mortality assumptions.
- Modified retirement rates to reflect fewer retirements.
- Lowered disability rates at most ages.
- Lowered employment termination rates.
- Generally increased the probability of terminating members receiving a deferred retirement benefit.
- Modified salary increase assumptions based on various service duration.

The 2007 valuation adjusted the application of the entry age normal cost method to better match projected contributions to the projected salary stream in the future years. It also included in the calculation of the UAL amortization payments the one-year lag between the valuation date and the effective date of the annual actuarial contribution rate.

The 2006 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Adjusted salary increase assumptions to service based assumptions.
- Decreased the assumed interest rate credited on employee contributions from 4.25% to 4.00%.
- Lowered the inflation assumption from 3.50% to 3.25%.
- Lowered disability rates for sheriffs, deputies and protection occupation members.





# Schedule of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Nonmajor Governmental Funds

As of and for the year ended June 30, 2015

| Receipts:         Tax increment financing         \$ - 127,601         2,660         - 2 | brary<br>quest<br>-<br>54 |
|--|---------------------------|
| Tax increment financing       \$ -       127,601       2,660       -         Use of money and property       185       -       -       -         Miscellaneous       54,198       -       -       600         Total receipts       54,383       127,601       2,660       600         Disbursements:         Operating:       -       -       -       -       -         Public safety       37,577       -       -       -       -       -         Culture and recreation       -       -       -       -       12,082       -         Community and economic development       -       -       121,815       -       -       -       -       12,082       -       -       -       -       -       -       -       -       12,082       -  | -<br>54                   |
| Tax increment financing       \$ -       127,601       2,660       -         Use of money and property       185       -       -       -         Miscellaneous       54,198       -       -       600         Total receipts       54,383       127,601       2,660       600         Disbursements:         Operating:       -       -       -       -       -         Public safety       37,577       -       -       -       -       -         Culture and recreation       -       -       -       -       12,082       -         Community and economic development       -       -       121,815       -       -       -       -       12,082       -       -       -       -       -       -       -       -       12,082       -  | -<br>54                   |
| Use of money and property       185       -       -       -       -       -       600       -       -       600       -       -       600       -       -       600       -       -       600       -       -       600       -       -       -       600       -       -       -       600       -       -       -       600       -       -       -       -       600       -       <  | 54                        |
| Miscellaneous         54,198         -         -         600           Total receipts         54,383         127,601         2,660         600           Disbursements:           Operating:         Public safety         37,577         - <td< td=""><td></td></td<>   |                           |
| Disbursements: Operating:   Public safety   37,577   -   -   -     12,082  | -                         |
| Operating:       37,577       -       -       -         Culture and recreation       -       -       -       12,082         Community and economic development       -       121,815       -       -         Total disbursements       37,577       121,815       -       12,082         Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements       16,806       5,786       2,660       (11,482)         Other financing sources (uses):       -       -       2,155       -         Transfers in       -       -       2,155       -         Total other financing sources (uses)       -       (2,155)       2,155       -         Change in cash balances       16,806       3,631       4,815       (11,482)         Cash balances beginning of year       38,288       82,541       52,068       13,377       27   | 54                        |
| Community and economic development       -       121,815       -       -         Total disbursements       37,577       121,815       -       12,082         Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements       16,806       5,786       2,660       (11,482)         Other financing sources (uses):       -       -       2,155       -         Transfers out       -       (2,155)       -       -         Total other financing sources (uses)       -       (2,155)       2,155       -         Change in cash balances       16,806       3,631       4,815       (11,482)         Cash balances beginning of year       38,288       82,541       52,068       13,377       27,255  | -                         |
| Total disbursements       37,577       121,815       - 12,082         Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements       16,806       5,786       2,660       (11,482)         Other financing sources (uses):       2,155       1,155   | 55                        |
| Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements 16,806 5,786 2,660 (11,482)  Other financing sources (uses):  Transfers in 2,155  | <br>55                    |
| Transfers in       -       -       2,155       -         Transfers out       -       (2,155)       -       -         Total other financing sources (uses)       -       (2,155)       2,155       -         Change in cash balances       16,806       3,631       4,815       (11,482)         Cash balances beginning of year       38,288       82,541       52,068       13,377       27,000   | (1)                       |
| Cash balances beginning of year 38,288 82,541 52,068 13,377 27   | 78<br>-<br>78             |
|  | 77                        |
|  | ,030                      |
| Cash balances end of year \$ 55,094 86,172 56,883 1,895 27   | ,107                      |
| Cash Basis Fund Balances Nonspendable: Cemetery perpetual care \$  | _                         |
| Library bequests Restricted for:   | -                         |
| Fire department 55,094   | -                         |
| Urban renewal purposes - 86,172  | -                         |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  | ,107                      |
| Other purposes 56,883 1,895  |                           |
| Total cash basis fund balances \$ 55,094 86,172 56,883 1,895 27  | 107                       |

|          | Perma     | nent    |         |
|----------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Library  |           |         |         |
| People's | Cemetery  |         |         |
| Art      | Perpetual | Library |         |
| Projects | Care      | Bequest | Total   |
|          |           |         |         |
| -        | -         | -       | 130,261 |
| -        | _         | 78      | 317     |
| -        | 3,280     | -       | 58,078  |
|          | 3,280     | 78      | 188,656 |
|          |           |         |         |
|          |           |         |         |
| -        | -         | -       | 37,577  |
| -        | -         | -       | 12,137  |
|          | -         | _       | 121,815 |
|          | -         | -       | 171,529 |
|          |           |         |         |
| -        | 3,280     | 78      | 17,127  |
|          |           |         |         |
| _        | _         | _       | 2,233   |
| _        | -         | (78)    | (2,233) |
| _        | -         | (78)    |         |
| -        | 3,280     | -       | 17,127  |
| 4,024    | 218,175   | 41,000  | 476,503 |
| 4,024    | 221,455   | 41,000  | 493,630 |
|          |           |         |         |
|          |           |         |         |
| -        | 221,455   | -       | 221,455 |
| -        | -         | 41,000  | 41,000  |
|          |           |         |         |
| =        | -         | -       | 55,094  |
| 4.004    | -         | -       | 86,172  |
| 4,024    | -         | -       | 31,131  |
| -        |           |         | 58,778  |
| 4,024    | 221,455   | 41,000  | 493,630 |

# Schedule of Indebtedness

# Year ended June 30, 2015

|                                 |              |            | Amount       |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
|                                 | Date of      | Interest   | Originally   |
| Obligation                      | Issue        | Rates      | Issued       |
| General obligation bonds:       |              |            |              |
| Corporate purpose and refunding | Mar 25, 2010 | 2.10-3.45% | \$ 2,600,000 |
| Sewer improvement               | Nov 17, 2010 | 1.55-3.40  | 2,350,000    |
| Corporate purpose               | Sep 26, 2012 | 1.55-3.40  | 2,505,000    |
| Corporate purpose and refunding | Mar 17, 2015 | 0.55-2.30  | 2,265,000    |
| Total                           |              |            |              |
| Revenue bonds:                  |              |            |              |
| Sewer                           | Oct 29, 2010 | 3.00% *    | \$ 2,850,000 |
| Lease-purchase agreements:      |              |            |              |
| Plow truck                      | May 15, 2012 | 3.912%     | \$ 117,907   |
| Wheel loader                    | Jul 2, 2012  | 3.300      | 114,410      |
| Total                           |              |            |              |

 $<sup>^{*}</sup>$  The City is required to annually pay a .25% servicing fee on the outstanding principal balance. See accompanying independent auditor's report.

|    | Balance   | Issued            | Redeemed  | Balance   |          |
|----|-----------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
|    | Beginning | ing During During |           | End of    | Interest |
|    | of Year   | Year              | Year      | Year      | Paid     |
|    |           |                   |           |           |          |
|    | 1,250,000 | -                 | 1,250,000 | -         | 34,701   |
|    | 1,945,000 | -                 | 155,000   | 1,790,000 | 51,730   |
|    | 2,310,000 | -                 | 195,000   | 2,115,000 | 35,480   |
|    | -         | 2,265,000         | -         | 2,265,000 |          |
| \$ | 5,505,000 | 2,265,000         | 1,600,000 | 6,170,000 | 121,911  |
|    |           |                   |           |           |          |
| -  | 2,600,000 | -                 | 90,000    | 2,510,000 | 78,000   |
|    |           |                   |           |           | _        |
|    | 71,143    | -                 | 22,810    | 48,333    | 2,784    |
|    | 72,566    | -                 | 13,573    | 58,993    | 2,431    |
| \$ | 143,709   | -                 | 36,383    | 107,326   | 5,215    |

City of Red Oak
Bond Maturities
June 30, 2015

|          |          |      |           | Gen      | nera | al Obligation | Bonds    |      |            |           |
|----------|----------|------|-----------|----------|------|---------------|----------|------|------------|-----------|
|          |          |      |           |          |      |               | Corpo    | rate | Purpose    |           |
|          | Sewer    | Imp  | rovement  | Corpo    | rate | e Purpose     | and      | Ref  | unding     |           |
| Year     | Issued   | Nov  | 17, 2010  | Issued   | Sep  | ot 26, 2012   | Issued   | Ma   | r 17, 2015 |           |
| Ending   | Interest |      |           | Interest |      | _             | Interest |      | _          |           |
| June 30, | Rates    |      | Amount    | Rates    |      | Amount        | Rates    |      | Amount     | Total     |
| 2016     | 1.80%    | \$   | 160,000   | 0.70%    | \$   | 195,000       | 2.00%    | \$   | 180,000    | 535,000   |
| 2017     | 2.10     |      | 160,000   | 0.85     |      | 200,000       | 3.00     |      | 205,000    | 565,000   |
| 2018     | 2.30     |      | 165,000   | 1.20     |      | 200,000       | 3.00     |      | 200,000    | 565,000   |
| 2019     | 2.50     |      | 170,000   | 1.35     |      | 205,000       | 3.00     |      | 175,000    | 550,000   |
| 2020     | 2.70     |      | 175,000   | 1.60     |      | 210,000       | 3.00     |      | 165,000    | 550,000   |
| 2021     | 2.90     |      | 180,000   | 1.75     |      | 215,000       | 3.00     |      | 175,000    | 570,000   |
| 2022     | 3.05     |      | 185,000   | 1.95     |      | 215,000       | 3.00     |      | 125,000    | 525,000   |
| 2023     | 3.15     |      | 190,000   | 2.10     |      | 220,000       | 3.00     |      | 130,000    | 540,000   |
| 2024     | 3.25     |      | 200,000   | 2.20     |      | 225,000       | 3.50     |      | 130,000    | 555,000   |
| 2025     | 3.40     |      | 205,000   | 2.30     |      | 230,000       | 3.50     |      | 135,000    | 570,000   |
| 2026     |          |      | -         |          |      | -             | 3.00     |      | 140,000    | 140,000   |
| 2027     |          |      | -         |          |      | -             | 3.00     |      | 145,000    | 145,000   |
| 2028     |          |      | -         |          |      | -             | 3.00     |      | 115,000    | 115,000   |
| 2029     |          |      | -         |          |      | -             | 3.00     |      | 120,000    | 120,000   |
| 2030     |          |      | -         |          |      |               | 3.00     |      | 125,000    | 125,000   |
| 2031     |          |      | -         |          |      |               |          |      |            |           |
| 2032     |          |      | -         |          |      |               |          |      |            |           |
| 2033     |          |      | -         |          |      |               |          |      |            |           |
| 2034     |          |      | -         |          |      | -             |          |      | -          | -         |
| 2035     |          |      | -         |          |      | -             |          |      | -          |           |
| Total    |          | \$ 1 | 1,790,000 |          | \$ : | 2,115,000     |          | \$ 2 | 2,265,000  | 6,170,000 |

| Revenue Bonds |                     |         |  |  |  |
|---------------|---------------------|---------|--|--|--|
| _             |                     |         |  |  |  |
|               | Sewer               |         |  |  |  |
|               | Issued Oct 29, 2010 |         |  |  |  |
| Interest      |                     |         |  |  |  |
| Rates         |                     | Amount  |  |  |  |
| 3.00%         | \$                  | 90,000  |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 95,000  |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 95,000  |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 100,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 105,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 105,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 110,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 115,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 120,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 120,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 125,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 130,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 135,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 140,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 145,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 150,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 150,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 155,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 160,000 |  |  |  |
| 3.00          |                     | 165,000 |  |  |  |

\$ 2,510,000

City of Red Oak

# Schedule of Receipts by Source and Disbursements By Function – All Governmental Funds

# For the Last Ten Years

|                                    | 2015         | 2014      | 2013      | 2012      |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Receipts:                          |              |           |           |           |
| Property tax                       | \$ 2,385,807 | 2,274,532 | 2,156,887 | 2,134,293 |
| Tax increment financing            | 130,261      | 155,529   | 195,272   | 249,408   |
| Other city tax                     | 834,588      | 735,471   | 750,222   | 679,143   |
| Licenses and permits               | 34,299       | 60,470    | 39,423    | 69,982    |
| Use of money and property          | 23,509       | 13,992    | 20,606    | 8,545     |
| Intergovernmental                  | 1,097,819    | 866,294   | 1,162,882 | 1,349,513 |
| Charges for service                | 694,702      | 581,007   | 594,021   | 638,841   |
| Special assessments                | -            | -         | -         | 3,172     |
| Miscellaneous                      | 558,375      | 399,187   | 408,349   | 608,234   |
| Total                              | \$ 5,759,360 | 5,086,482 | 5,327,662 | 5,741,131 |
| Disbursements:                     |              |           |           |           |
| Operating:                         |              |           |           |           |
| Public safety                      | \$ 2,651,137 | 2,273,915 | 2,438,035 | 2,237,045 |
| Public works                       | 915,346      | 885,139   | 882,248   | 1,007,610 |
| Health and social services         | 128,999      | 117,449   | 13,770    | 31,297    |
| Culture and recreation             | 828,629      | 832,045   | 761,487   | 794,891   |
| Community and economic development | 141,205      | 170,121   | 178,825   | 740,843   |
| General government                 | 123,344      | 114,917   | 117,584   | 116,346   |
| Debt service                       | 1,755,591    | 690,383   | 503,788   | 434,980   |
| Capital projects                   | 733,876      | 416,576   | 1,950,515 | 1,003,814 |
| Total                              | \$ 7,278,127 | 5,500,545 | 6,846,252 | 6,366,826 |

| 2011      | 2010      | 2009      | 2008      | 2007      |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|           |           |           |           |           |
| 2,032,826 | 2,128,623 | 2,050,552 | 2,051,128 | 1,987,915 |
| 170,716   | 91,392    | 82,158    | 81,447    | 201,129   |
| 637,533   | 608,242   | 668,751   | 557,592   | 646,708   |
| 60,593    | 51,523    | 61,636    | 51,073    | 49,585    |
| 30,586    | 81,969    | 124,911   | 239,731   | 251,362   |
| 1,372,360 | 2,283,841 | 2,020,983 | 1,705,840 | 915,512   |
| 640,212   | 495,287   | 548,744   | 580,372   | 590,031   |
| 3,433     | 3,695     | 3,957     | 4,219     | 4,481     |
| 477,816   | 316,029   | 595,485   | 452,226   | 396,528   |
| 5,426,075 | 6,060,601 | 6,157,177 | 5,723,628 | 5,043,251 |
|           |           |           |           |           |
|           |           |           |           |           |
| 2,451,691 | 2,167,493 | 2,490,460 | 1,885,490 | 1,842,324 |
| 787,651   | 802,415   | 796,214   | 800,133   | 497,363   |
| 39,595    | 10,006    | 8,123     | 29,080    | 13,591    |
| 683,139   | 655,112   | 577,789   | 580,009   | 547,171   |
| 471,518   | 279,102   | 164,443   | 298,823   | 134,446   |
| 119,821   | 123,141   | 157,026   | 112,603   | 102,300   |
| 423,037   | 468,832   | 696,778   | 699,977   | 694,634   |
| 636,005   | 3,231,951 | 850,782   | 2,891,634 | 202,061   |
| 5,612,457 | 7,738,052 | 5,741,615 | 7,297,749 | 4,033,890 |



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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control
over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with
Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

We have audited in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Red Oak, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 7, 2016. Our report expressed unmodified opinions on the financial statements which were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, a basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City of Red Oak's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Red Oak's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Red Oak's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings, we identified deficiencies in internal control we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility a material misstatement of the City of Red Oak's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies in internal control described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items (A) through (C) to be material weaknesses.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control which is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies described the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items (D) through (G) to be significant deficiencies.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Red Oak's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of non-compliance or other matters which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the City's operations for the year ended June 30, 2015 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the City. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

#### The City of Red Oak's Responses to the Findings

The City of Red Oak's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. The City of Red Oak's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

#### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> in considering the City's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of the City of Red Oak during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

MARY MOSIMAN, CPA

WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA Chief Deputy Auditor of State

January 7, 2016

#### Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2015

#### Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

#### INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

- (A) <u>Segregation of Duties</u> One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from performing duties which are incompatible. Generally, one or two individuals may have control over the following areas for the City:
  - (1) Incoming mail is not opened by an individual not authorized to make entries to the accounting records. In addition, an independent person does not compare the listing to cash receipt records consistently.
  - (2) Receipts collecting, depositing, journalizing and posting.
  - (3) Utility receipts billing, collecting and posting.
  - (4) Disbursements purchasing, recording, reconciling and posting.
  - (5) Payroll preparing, approving and disbursing, including electronic fund transfers.

For the Library and the Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, one individual has control over each of the following areas:

- (1) Receipts collecting, depositing, posting and reconciling.
- (2) Disbursements posting, reconciling and check writing.
- (3) Cash handling and recording cash.

<u>Recommendation</u> – We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of employees. However, the City, the Library and the Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association should review their operating procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances utilizing currently available staff, including elected officials. Evidence of reviews should be documented by the signature or initials of the independent reviewer and the date of the review.

<u>Response</u> – We are working on segregating duties as much as we can with limited staff available.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (B) <u>Bank Reconciliation</u> Although monthly bank reconciliations were prepared, variances existed between the bank balance and the Treasurer's general ledger balance. The variances were resolved for audit purposes. The City Council was not informed of the discrepancy. In addition, the bank reconciliations were not performed timely.
  - <u>Recommendation</u> To improve financial accountability and control, monthly bank reconciliations should be performed timely and variances between book and bank balances should be investigated and resolved.

<u>Response</u> – The City has been working with Data Technologies to resolve the bank reconciliation issues. Bank reconciliations will be performed timely in the future and we will keep the City Council informed of any discrepancies.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

#### Schedule of Findings

#### Year ended June 30, 2015

(C) Reconciliation of Utility Billings, Collections and Delinquent Accounts – Utility billings, collections and delinquent accounts were not reconciled throughout the year. A reconciliation is designed to ensure the proper recording of utility receipts, the propriety of adjustments and write-offs and the propriety of delinquent accounts. In addition, utility billing dates were overlapped, which created inaccurate billing statements.

<u>Recommendation</u> – Procedures should be established to reconcile utility billings, collections and delinquent accounts for each billing period and to reconcile collections to deposits. In addition, the City should ensure the accuracy of the billing statements.

Response – New reports and procedures have been put into place.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

- (D) <u>Computer Systems</u> During our review of internal control, the existing control activities in the City's computer systems were evaluated in order to determine activities, from a control standpoint, were designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of objectives in the reliability of financial reporting, effectiveness and efficiency of operations and compliance with written accounting policies and applicable laws and regulations. The following weaknesses in the City's computer systems were noted:
  - Login credentials are shared.
  - Employee policies do not require passwords to be changed periodically.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should develop written policies and procedures addressing the above items to improve the City's control over its computer systems. In addition, employee login credentials should not be shared.

<u>Response</u> – The City has removed all past employees from the system. Employees will be directed to change passwords periodically and to avoid sharing login credentials.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

- (E) <u>Separately Maintained Records</u> The Library maintains separate accounting records for certain operations, including interest receipts and fund balances. These items are not included in the City's accounting records. In addition, the signature cards for the Library accounts were not updated to reflect those approved by City policy.
  - Recommendation Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states, in part, "A city shall keep accounts which show an accurate and detailed statement of all public funds collected, received, or expended for any city purpose." For better accountability, financial and budgetary control, the financial activity and balances of all City accounts should be included in the City's accounting records and reported to the City Council on a monthly basis. In addition, all account signature cards should be updated to include an authorized City signature as required by City policy.

#### Schedule of Findings

#### Year ended June 30, 2015

<u>Response</u> – The City will notify the Library to comply with this law, providing financial information to the City to be included in the City's accounting records and reported to the City Council on a monthly basis. The City will also advise the Library Board authorized City signatures must be used.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

(F) <u>Library Financial Reporting</u> – The Library Board is required to submit financial reports to the City on a monthly basis for inclusion in the City financial reports. The Library has not submitted the financial reports timely.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The Library Board should develop procedures to submit all monthly financial reports on a timely basis.

Response - The City will notify Library to comply.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

(G) Petty Cash Policy – The City has several departments which utilize a petty cash fund.

The City does not have a policy for the petty cash funds which specifies proper usage, including allowable and unallowable disbursements, approvals and maximum dollar amounts

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should formalize a petty cash fund policy establishing proper usage, amounts and procedures for all City departments.

<u>Response</u> – The City will investigate implementing a policy specifying proper use of petty cash funds for authorized use by all City departments.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

#### INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE

No matters were noted.

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#### Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- (1) <u>Certified Budget</u> At June 30, 2015, disbursements exceeded the amount budgeted in the community and economic development function. In addition, disbursements in the public safety, health and social services, community and economic development and debt service functions exceeded the budget before amendment. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states, in part, "Public monies may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation."
  - <u>Recommendation</u> The budget should have been amended in sufficient amount in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.
  - <u>Response</u> The City tries to amend their budget as necessary and will continue to try and make amendments as necessary.
  - <u>Conclusion</u> Response accepted.
- (2) <u>Questionable Disbursements</u> A disbursement we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 since the public benefits to be derived have not been clearly documented were noted. The disbursement is detailed as follows:

| Paid to             | Purpose          | Amo | Amount |  |
|---------------------|------------------|-----|--------|--|
| Cardmember Services | Get Well flowers | \$  | 29     |  |

- According to the opinion, it is possible for such disbursements to meet the test of serving a public purpose under certain circumstances, although such items will certainly be subject to a deserved close scrutiny. The line to be drawn between a proper and an improper purpose is very thin.
- <u>Recommendation</u> The City Council should determine and document the public purpose served by this disbursement before authorizing any further payments. If this practice is continued, the City should establish written policies and procedures which clearly document the public purpose, including the requirement for proper documentation.
- <u>Response</u> The City feels it is important to express sympathy or get well wishes to their full-time employees and this is an important aspect of showing our respect and appreciation for our employees and, therefore, unquestionably serves a public purpose.
- <u>Conclusion</u> Response acknowledged. The City should establish written policies and procedures which include the requirement to clearly document the public purpose.
- (3) <u>Travel Expense</u> No disbursements of City money for travel expenses of spouses of City officials or employees were noted.

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(4) <u>Business Transactions</u> – Business transactions between the City and City officials or employees are detailed as follows:

| Name, Title and                 | Transaction     |          |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Business Connection             | Description     | Amount   |
| Chavis Wise,                    | Extinguisher    |          |
| Full-Time Firefighter, Owner of | inspections and |          |
| American Fire Protection        | supplies        | \$ 1.497 |

In accordance with Chapter 362.5(3)(j) of the Code of Iowa, the transactions with American Fire Protection do not appear to represent a conflict of interest since they were less than \$1,500 during the year.

- (5) <u>Bond Coverage</u> Surety bond coverage of City officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- (6) <u>City Council Minutes</u> No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the City Council minutes but were not. Chapter 372.13(6) of the Code of Iowa requires claims, receipts and disbursements be published within 15 days of the City Council meetings. The following were noted:
  - Claims have not been published since December 2014.
  - Summaries of receipts and disbursements were not published during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should comply with the Code of Iowa and publish the claims and summaries timely.

Response – The City has implemented new procedures for this requirement.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

- (7) <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapters 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the City's investment policy were noted.
- (8) <u>Financial Condition</u> The Capital Projects Fund had a deficit balance of \$1,283,162 at June 30, 2015.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should investigate alternatives to eliminate this deficit to return the fund to a sound financial position.

<u>Response</u> – The City will make balance transfers from other funds as projects are closed out.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

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(9) <u>IPERS Remittances</u> – The City remits the employer and employee portion of IPERS monthly. However, an interest fee is charged if the amount remitted is late or if the amount remitted does not match the amount due. The City accumulated interest charges totaling \$189 during the year ended June 30, 2015

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should remit interest charges owed to IPERS and establish procedures to ensure all IPERS remittances are timely and for the correct amounts.

Response – The City has made the corrections and now is in good standing.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

- (10) <u>Revenue Bonds</u> The following instances of non-compliance with the sewer revenue bond requirements were noted:
  - The City's sewer revenue bond resolution requires a sewer revenue bond sinking account be established and transfers are to be made to the sinking account in equal monthly installments on the first day of each month. The City has established a sewer revenue bond sinking account, but the required monthly transfers to the sinking account were not made.
  - The provisions of the sewer revenue bond resolution require the City produce net operating receipts equal to at least 110% of the principal of and interest on the bonds as they come due. The City's fiscal year 2015 net operating receipts of \$55,075 were less than 110% of the \$168,000 of sewer revenue bond principal and interest due during fiscal year 2015.
  - The City's sewer revenue bond resolution requires all users of the system, including the City, be charged for usage. The City is not being charged for usage.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should make the necessary transfers to the sewer revenue bond sinking account as required by the sewer bond resolution. The City should establish utility rates at a level sufficient to produce net receipts to comply with the bond provisions. In addition, the City should ensure City sewer usage is billed and paid by the City as required by the bond provisions.

<u>Response</u> – Necessary transfers will be made and the City will continue to analyze sewer rates to determine appropriate increases. The City will continue to evaluate the feasibility of establishing a sewer charge for all City departments.

Conclusion – Response acknowledged. The City should pay for sewer usage as required.

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(11) <u>Annual Urban Renewal Report</u> – The Annual Urban Renewal Report was properly approved and certified to the Iowa Department of Management on or before December 1, as required.

The following exceptions were noted:

- The City's beginning and ending cash balances of the Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing Fund reported on the Levy Authority Summary do not agree with the City's general ledger.
- The amount reported by the City as TIF debt outstanding was overstated by \$54,799

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should ensure the cash balances and debt amounts reported on the Levy Authority Summary agree with the City's records.

<u>Response</u> – The City is continuing to work on ensuring the annual urban renewal report is in agreement with the City's general ledger.

<u>Conclusion</u> - Response accepted.

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